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SUBJECT: PHILIPPINE INTEREST IN MERCHANT MARINE AND COAST  
GUARD ACADEMIES

1. THERE HAS BEEN RENEWED INTEREST AMONG GOP OFFICIALS REGARDING THE POSSIBILITY OF TRAINING AT THE U.S. MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY AS WELL AS THE U.S. COAST GUARD ACADEMY. AFTER WORLD WAR II THE PHILIPPINES WAS GIVEN AN ANNUAL ALLOTMENT OF 50 SLOTS FROM ROUGHLY 1947 TO 1953 AT THE MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY. SOME OF THESE GRADUATES ARE STILL PROMINENT IN THE PHILIPPINE NAVY AND MERCHANT MARINE.

2. WE UNDERSTAND THAT CANDIDATES FOR THE MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY ARE NOMINATED BY SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES ON THE BASIS OF ANNUAL COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS. APPARENTLY ALL CANDIDATES MUST BE U.S. CITIZENS EXCEPT FOR AN ALLOTMENT OF TWELVE FROM "OTHER AMERICAN REPUBLICS."

3. IN VIEW OF RECENT PHILIPPINE INTEREST, WE WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT LOOKING INTO POSSIBILITIES OF TRAINING OF FILIPINOS AT THE MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY AND ALSO AT THE COAST GUARD ACADEMY.

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